

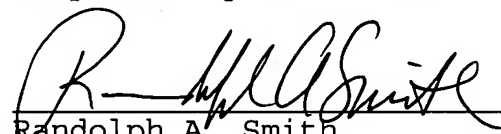
RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT
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It is therefore respectfully requested that the Examiner withdraw this election requirement and issue an office action on claims 1-11 for this application.

If there are any questions or concerns regarding this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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